not satisfactory, within six months, more measures will be taken.

Sir, the point the hon. Member has raised is that Great Britain did not make a shift. There is a very positive shift in their position. When they came to the conference, they very categorically said that they will not apply any sanctions or any economic measures. They have applied sanctions and economic measures. This is a major break through. Unfortunately, I do not know where the Member's inputs are coming from. I have my doubts about where they come from. But this is an accepted fact. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI JASWANT SINGH : Sir, this is an insinuation. (*Interruptions*) You are talking about the inputs: Please elucidate. What sort of doubts? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : I may also appeal to the hon. Chairman to check the seat in that part of the House for any irritations that induce the Member to keep bobbing up. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI JASWANT SINGH : What absurd mockery is this. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : Mr. Chairman, Sir when he has raised some points, he should be prepared to listen to what I say. (*Interruptions*)

Sir, I have only one point to add. One more point I would like to add. This document has indicated not just to the other Governments; it has also given a very definite indication to all the banks and private sector investment. We are seeing in Europe, in U.K., that there is a definite shift of investment away from South Africa. And this is because this document clearly shows that under pressure not even Great Britain can stand and support South Africa. It is indicated that road to end of apartheid is very definitely in front of us and apartheid is going to come to an end, and India has played a major role in it.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

President's Assent to the Bill amending the Calcutta University Act

*63. DR. R. K. PODDAR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a Bill to amend the Calcutta University Act passed by the West Bengal Legislative Assembly is pending with the Central Government for President's assent ;

(b) if so, since when it has been pending ;

(c) what are the reasons for the delay ; and

(d) by when the Bill is likely to be given assent ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 21-5-1984.

(c) The issues involved are under consideration in consultation with the concerned Ministries.

(d) It is likely to take some more time before the final view can be taken.

Pending applications for pension to Freedom Fighters

*64. SHRI M. KADHARSHA : SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the Number of applications for pension to freedom

fighters which are pending, State-wise; and

(b) by when these are likely to be processed and what are the reasons for delay in sanctioning the pension ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) and (b) Out of a total of 4,33,754 applications received so far under Freedom Fighters Pension Scheme, 1972 renamed as Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme w.e.f. 1-8-80, pension has been sanctioned to 1,36,425 freedom fighters and the dependents of the deceased freedom fighters as on 31-10-85. 2,12,036 applications have been rejected for various reasons and 85,293 applications are pending for finalisation. Thus about 80% of the total applications received under the Scheme have already been disposed of. State-wise break up of the pending applications may be seen in the attached Statement.

2. Most of the applications are pending mainly for want of State verifications reports and/or requisite documentary evidence from the applicants. It will be seen from the statement that out of the total pendency of 85,293 applications, the pendency in respect of West Bengal & Bihar is of the order of 27,013 & 20,886 respectively as on 31st October, 1985, which constitutes about 57% of the pending applications.

3. With a view to find out ways and means for disposal of pending applications, the former Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs had held a meeting with the representatives of such States where pendency is large. The representatives of West Bengal & Bihar were also invited in the meeting. In pursuance of that meeting the Chief Ministers of States/Union Territories were addressed on 8-7-1985 to expedite their verifications reports in regard to pending applications. The Home Minister has recently addressed letters to the Chief Ministers of 10 States including Bihar and West Bengal. While the response from the Government of Binar is very encouraging, no tangible improvement has been noticed in the intake of verifications reports from the Government of West Bengal. During the last two months, the Government of Bihar has sent over 11,000 verification reports, while the number of State reports sent by the Government of West Bengal during these two months is only 200. A special Cell bas been set up to deal with the verifications reports received from the Government of Bihar on priority basis.

4. Every effort is being made by the Government to ensure that the pending cases are finalised without much delay, where necessary, the Officers of the Freedom Fighters Division also visit the States for personal discussion and to suggest the ways and means for quicker verification of applications. As the cases are finalised on the basis of the recommendation of the State Governments, it is not possible to fix a deadline for settlement of all pending applications.

Statement

Break-up of State-wise applications for pension to freedom fighters pending as on 31-10-1985 :

S. No.	Name of the State/ U.T. Admn.	Number of applications Pending
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	4730
2	Assam	6319
3	Bihar	20886
4	Gujarat	49
5	Haryana	257
6	Himachal Pradesh	63
7	Jammu and Kashmir	258
8	Karnataka	2795
9	Kerala	6428
10	Madhya Pradesh	176

1	2	3
11	Maharashtra . .	6917
12	Manipur . . .	50
13	Meghalaya . .	115
14	Nagaland . .	10
15	Orissa . . .	2425
16	Punjab . . .	1056
17	Rajasthan . .	53
18	Tamil Nadu . .	24
19	Tripura . . .	182
20	Uttar Pradesh . .	1790
21	West Bengal . .	27013
22	INA Personnels .	3261
U.T. Admns:		
1	Andaman and Nicobar	21
2	Arunachal Pradesh .	4
3	Chandigarh . .	18
4	Delhi . . .	98
5	Goa . . .	212
6	Mizoram . .	..
7	Pondicherry . .	83
	TOTAL :	85,293

Crime in Delhi

*65. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:
SHRISATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of cases of armed robberies, dacoities and murders in Delhi during the last six months as compared to that during the preceding six months ;

(b) what is the number of cases reported during the last one year which have been traced out and what are the reasons for the other cases remaining unsolved ; and

(c) what steps Government have taken to augment the existing police force at various levels in Delhi ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) The number of armed robberies, dacoities and murders during the last six months (May to Oct. 1985) as compared to the preceding 6 months (Nov. '84 to April '85) are as follows :

Crime Head	May '85 to Oct. '85	Nov. '84 to April '85
Armed Robbery .	110	89
Dacoities . .	7	15
Murders . .	130	142

(b) During he last one year i.e. Nov. '84 to Oct. '85, out of 199 cases of armed robbery, 22 cases of dacoity and 272 cases of murders, 105 cases of robbery, 9 cases of dacoity and 175 cases of murders have been worked out. In some of the remaining cases, accused persons have been identified and efforts are being made to apprehend the culprits. Investigations in the rest of the cases are in progress.

(c) Government had appointed a high-level Group to study the Delhi Police administration and to make recommendations with a view to increasing its operational efficiency and overall responsiveness to emergent situations. Based on the recommendations the Study Group, some of the significant improvements affected so far in Delhi Police are as follows :

(i) Delhi Police zones have been increased from 6 to 9. Each zone will be incharge of a Deputy Commissioner of Police.

(ii) 37 new police stations will be opened; 12 each in 1985-86 and 1986-87 and 13 in 1987-88. With these additional police stations Delhi will have 100 police Stations against 63 at present.